A RESOLUTION to designate the Sixth Annual City of Cookeville Cook-off as the Kansas City Barbeque Society State of Tennessee Barbeque Championship for 1995

WHEREAS, from the mighty Mississippi to the hills of East Tennessee, our state is known throughout the nation for its fine barbeque; and

WHEREAS, as soon as weather permits each year, one can find Tennesseans in their backyards slathering beef, fowl, fish, or the like, with cupfuls of their favorite tangy sauce; and

WHEREAS, it has become a tradition in our great state for men and women to compete with one another to determine just whose combination of vinegar, tomatoes, and spices pleases the palates of the majority; and

WHEREAS, in the spirit of great barbecue and friendly competition, the City of Cookeville began hosting an annual cook-off in 1990; and

WHEREAS, in five short years, the Cookeville cook-off has grown by leaps and bounds and now awards prizes in excess of \$10,000 for the best barbecue cooking teams; and

WHEREAS, the Cookeville cook-off attracts teams from coast to coast and each year thousands of people arrive in the City of Cookeville armed with napkins and lawn chairs to enjoy the fine food and entertainment this festival provides; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cookeville Cook-off is now sanctioned by the Kansas City Barbeque Society, an accolade which will promote further growth and improvement of the annual event; and

WHEREAS, designation as a state championship event will permit the Cookeville Cookoff to provide an automatic invitation for its winners to the Jack Daniels' National Invitational Barbeque Competition in Lynchburg and also to the American Royal Invitational Barbeque at Kansas City, without affecting the status of any other championship event currently held in Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby designate the Sixth Annual City of Cookeville Cook-off as the KCBS State of Tennessee Barbeque for 1995.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this championship designation shall continue each year through 1999.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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